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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

Plaintiff,

v.

DAMIEN A. V.,

COMMISSIONER OF SOCIAL SECURITY,

Defendant.

NO: 1:21-CV-3124-RMP

ORDER GRANTING PARTIES' STIPULATED MOTION TO REMAND

BEFORE THE COURT is the parties' Stipulated Motion to Remand pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g). ECF No. 14. Plaintiff Damien A. V. is represented by attorney D. James Tree. The Commissioner of Social Security is represented by Special Assistant United States Attorney L. Jamala Edwards.

After consideration, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that the parties' Stipulated Motion for Remand, **ECF No. 14**, is **GRANTED**. Pursuant to the parties'

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Court uses Plaintiff's first name and last initial to protect his privacy.

stipulation, the Commissioner's final decision is **reversed and remanded** for further proceedings pursuant to sentence four of 42 U.S.C. §405(g). Upon remand to the Commissioner of Social Security, the Appeals Council will direct the Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ") to:

- further develop the record;
- reevaluate the opinion evidence of record and prior administrative medical findings;
- reevaluate whether the severity of Plaintiff's impairments meets or medically equals the criteria of a listed impairment;
- obtain evidence from a medical expert to clarify the nature, severity, and effects of the claimant's medical impairments;
- reevaluated Plaintiff's subjective symptoms, including evidence from non-medical sources;
- reevaluate Plaintiff's maximum residual functional capacity;
- determine whether Plaintiff is able to do any other work considering his assigned residual functional capacity, age, education, and work experience;
- if necessary, obtain supplemental vocational expert evidence to clarify the effect of the assessed limitations on Plaintiff's ability to perform other work available in significant numbers in the national economy; and
- Offer Plaintiff the opportunity for a hearing, consider any additional evidence submitted, take any further action needed to complete the administrative record, and issue a new decision.

See ECF No. 14 at 1–2.

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Upon proper presentation, this Court will consider Plaintiff's application for costs and attorney's fees under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1920, 2412(d).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Plaintiff's Motion for Summary

Judgment, ECF No. 11, is DENIED AS MOOT.

IT IS SO ORDERED. The District Court Clerk is directed to enter this Order, provide copies to counsel, enter judgment in favor of Plaintiff, and close the file.

**DATED** May 5, 2022.

s/Rosanna Malouf Peterson

ROSANNA MALOUF PETERSON
Senior United States District Judge